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Goal = Save power





O Power-aware schedule







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"The minimum **speed** is limited by the sequential job model"

- J. Anderson, S. Baruah


































Can we save **more** with **parallelism**?















V

Number of cores

Parallel job model



Execution time

V

Number of cores

Parallel job model

Execution requirement

Execution time



Execution requirement

Execution time







Execution time

2 cores

V



Execution time 2.8

3 cores





Execution time 2

Sub-linear speedup ratio





 $A_2 = 5.6$





Processor Model



B *m* cores, *k* are actives homogeneous frequency f





Frequency Scaling

Execution requirement

Execution time

f = 1

Frequency Scaling

Number of cores

Execution time

f = 0.5

Scheduling decision



Power Model



k active cores homogeneous frequency fpower function P(f, k)

e.g. $P(f, k) = f^{3}k + 0.15 \times k$













Implicit-deadline sporadic tasks

Malleable jobs

DVFS/DPM-enabled processor with *m* cores

Homogeneous frequency

Canonical optimal scheduling

Find f and k such that P(f, k) is minimized











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Simulations

Randomly generated task systems

Compute minimum frequency for sequential and malleable

Evaluate savings with:

 $P(f_{seq}, k_{seq})$

 $P(f_{mal}, k_{mal})$

Simulation results





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 $P_{mal} = P_{seq}$ Ratio = 1

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More practical model must be tested.

RTOS implementation must be evaluated.

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More in paper

• Sub-linear speedup ratio [13]:

$$1 < \frac{\gamma_{i,j'}}{\gamma_{i,j}} < \frac{j'}{j}$$

where $0 < j < j' \leq m$.

• Work-limited parallelism [4]:

 $\gamma_{i,(j'+1)} - \gamma_{i,j'} \leq \gamma_{i,(j+1)} - \gamma_{i,j}$ where $0 \leq j < j' < m$.

Algorithm 2: minimumOptimalFrequency (τ, m) for $i \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ do if schedulable $(\tau, m, \frac{u_i}{\gamma_{i,m}})$ then $\ \ \bar{\kappa}_i \leftarrow m-1$ else $\bar{\kappa}_i \leftarrow \min_{\kappa=0}^{m-1} \{ \kappa \mid \text{not schedulable}(\tau, m, \frac{u_i}{\gamma_{i,\kappa+1}}) \}$ $\bar{\kappa} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \bar{\kappa}_1, \bar{\kappa}_2, \dots, \bar{\kappa}_n \rangle$ return $\Psi_{\tau}(m, \bar{\kappa})$

Algorithm 3: frequencyCoreSelection (τ, m)

 $\ell_{\min} \leftarrow 1$ $f_{\ell_{\min}} \leftarrow \mathsf{minimumOptimalFrequency}(\tau, 1)$ for $\ell \in \{2, 3, ..., m\}$ do $f_{\ell} \leftarrow \mathsf{minimumOptimalFrequency}(\tau, \ell)$ if $P(f_{\ell}, \ell) < P(f_{\ell_{\min}}, \ell_{\min})$ then $\ell_{\min} \leftarrow \ell$ $f_{\ell_{\min}} \leftarrow f_{\ell}$ return $\langle f_{\ell_{\min}}, \ell_{\min} \rangle$

Theorem 1 (extended from Collette et al. [4]). A necessary and sufficient condition for an implicit-deadlines sporadic malleable task system τ respecting sub-linear speedup ratio and work-limited parallelism, to be schedulable by the canonical schedule on m processors at frequency f is given by:

$$\begin{cases} \max_{i=1}^{n} \{k_i(f)\} < m \quad and \\ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(k_i(f) + \frac{u_i - \gamma_{i,k_i(f)}f}{(\gamma_{i,k_i(f)+1} - \gamma_{i,k_i(f)})f}\right) \leqslant m . \end{cases}$$

$$\tag{4}$$

Other useful specific values are $u_{\max} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \max_{i=1}^{n} \{u_i\}$ and $u_{\text{sum}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^{n} u_i.$

A collection of sporadic tasks $\tau \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_n\}$ is called a sporadic task system. In this paper, we assume a common subclass of sporadic task systems called implicitdeadline sporadic task systems where each $\tau_i \in \tau$ must have its relative deadline equal to its period (i.e., $d_i = p_i$).



Fig. 1: Plot of k_i and M_i for $m = 3, \tau_i = (6, 4, (1.0, 1.5, 2.0))$

$$k_i(f) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } u_i \le \gamma_{i,1} f \\ \max_{k=1}^m \{k \mid \gamma_{i,k} f < u_i\}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$
(3)

The *canonical schedule* fully assigns $k_i(f)$ processor(s) to τ_i and at most one additional processor is partially assigned (see [4] for details). This definition extends the original definition of k_i from non-power-aware parallel systems [4].









Fig. 2: Speedup Vectors for strong and weak parallelized systems.

# cores	Γ_{WPS}	Γ_{SPS}	# cores	Γ_{WPS}	Γ_{SPS}
1	1.0	1.000	9	2.6	7.926
2	1.9	1.990	10	2.7	8.559
3	2.0	2.970	11	2.8	9.185
4	2.1	3.913	12	2.9	9.771
5	2.2	4.801	13	3.0	10.271
6	2.3	5.670	14	3.1	10.726
7	2.4	6.505	15	3.2	11.148
8	2.5	7.255	16	3.3	11.558

Fig. 3: Values of speedup vectors for WPS and SPS.